

PWCA minutes for July 10, 2008

Attendance: Katie Fritz, Jean Claude St. Germaine, Anthony Gil, Joel Horwitz, Nancy Isserman, Robert Levin, Shelly Sassler, Marc Slovak, **Excused Absence:** Bill Brubaker, Gary Friedlander, Lisa Healy, Christian Petrucci, Lance Rogers

Minutes: There was no quorum – Minutes of April and June were not approved.

President's Report: None

1st Vice President's Report: Jean reported on the outcome of the 4th of July event. His comments follow:

- The organization of the event should not be the sole responsibility of one person. He had a lot of cooperation this year but it still was a lot of work falling on one person.
- The sponsors were attracted by the opportunity to appear in the newsletter. They should be contacted early on for their support for 09.
- The newsletter should contain an article about some of the sponsors as opposed to an ad, like the PWBA, Cong. Beth Hamedrosh, etc.
- The tee-shirts did not sell and were expensive. (\$1,000 and 10 were sold.)
- Zeigler said he could have gotten a better price for the games, the sandy candy, etc, and so he should be asked to bid. The more items he produces the lower the individual prices he told Jean.
- The drinks from Narberth Beverage were very expensive, twice what they are in the grocery store.
- Thank you notes to the sponsors need to get out shortly. Nancy said she would help Jean get them out.

His recommendations for next year are as follows:

Items to address early – in the fall of 08 include:

- determining the parade route and publicizing it in the newsletter;
- deciding on a theme;
- lining up the sponsors and introducing Tony Gil to the sponsors in the thank you notes, lining up the local cub, boy, brownie and girl scout troops to form a color guard,
- deciding the grand marshal and the community civic award.

Items to change include:

- no selling of tee-shirts other than the older ones;
- no cotton candy,
- solicit bids from vendors including games, food like hot dogs (Cong. Beth Hamedrosh will not be able to run the food booth next year),
- ask Alex's lemonade stand to provide beverages

2nd Vice President's report: Tony reported on the progress on the annual meeting program. He is waiting to hear from the school district to see if we can use the PW Elementary School for the meeting. He has called the League of Women Voters to see if they are interested. He has asked or will ask Lance and Daylin to see if they are willing to debate. It was also suggested that the parties have tables at the meeting to register people and provide information.

Recycling project: Tony is still exploring and gathering information on a possible vendor. The questions of where the bin would sit and how many times a year there would be a collection have not yet been decided. It was suggested to contact Penn Wynn Green and the Library to work with them on this project.

Bylaws – Tony is ready with a report but he is waiting until we have a quorum at the meeting.

Website report: Marc reported that the website is up to date. He has created an inactive box for members who move. Bob noted that people in other civics remain members after they leave the area if they wish to and we should allow for this as well. There is space for local news stories on the website. If anyone has material or ideas for the website please contact Marc.

Membership report: Katie reported that we have 215 members which is about what we had last year. They have brought in \$3940. Someone suggested we give new residents a welcome packet with information about the PWCA, the neighborhood resources, information about our 4th of July event and our sponsors.

New Business: It was noted that we should be getting the transfer of property notices from the township in order to identify the new residents. Someone suggested creating a “Craig’s List” type service on the website but others were concerned about who would manage it re postings, spammers, crime, etc.

THE NEXT MEETING IS AUGUST 7TH, 7:30 PM AT THE LIBRARY.

Agenda items include the annual meeting; the bylaws; treasury and membership updates; wrapping up the 08 July 4th discussion; and reports from the ad hoc committees.

Respectfully submitted:
Nancy Isserman